## APPENDIX M

MINUTES OF PUBLIC MEETINGS - REVIEW OF DRAFT EIA REPORT

November 2016 Appendices

NEMAI CONSULTING	DRAFT MINUTES  Public Meeting –  KwaZashuke Traditional Council and  Community	Queries:	Donavan Henning
Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	16 July 2016	Time:	10h00 – 12h00
Chairperson:	B. Shinga	Venue:	KwaZashuke Traditional Council Hall

<u>Note:</u> These minutes are not intended as a verbatim transcript of the meeting, but rather as a summary of the salient discussions which took place.

## **Attendance**

Refer to the completed Attendance Register contained in Appendix A.

## Apologies:

None.

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
1.	Welcome & Purpose of Meeting		
1.1	The meeting commenced at approximately 11H00. Proceedings were opened with a prayer. Discussions were held in IsiZulu.  Councillor Kunene welcomed the members of the project team.  B Shinga facilitated the meeting. She explained that the aims of the meeting were as follows:  1. To provide an overview of the proposed uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1 (uMWP-1) – Raw Water and Potable Water Components;  2. To present the status of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA);  3. To provide an overview of the EIA Reports (Raw Water and Potable Water); and	-	-
2.	To provide a platform for project-related discussions.  Presentations		
2.1	K Bester from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) presented the following:  Project background and motivation - Need for additional augmentation; Water balance and supply area of the Mgeni Water Supply System;  Water availability in the uMkhomazi River catchment - Scheme layout; Raw water components; Potable water components; Project summary - Programme and Cost; and Institutional and financial arrangements.	-	-

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2.3	<ul> <li>K Naidoo from TCTA presented the following (based on approaches adopted for Spring Grove Dam):</li> <li>Relocation of graves; and</li> <li>Resettlement of affected families.</li> </ul>	-	-
3.	Discussion		
3.1	Unknown attendee requested clarity on the location of the dam wall.  K Bested pointed out the proposed location of the dam wall on a map.	-	-
3.2	Unknown attendee requested clarity on the proposed name of the dam.  K Bester explained that during the planning phase of a project a dam is commonly named after the original parent farm where the dam wall is located.	-	-
3.3	<ul> <li>D Basi raised the following concerns with regards to the proposed dam:</li> <li>Reduction in grazing area;</li> <li>Loss of cultivated land that forms part of the initiative by the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform;</li> <li>Impacts to graves, which cannot be relocated;</li> <li>A "white bull" resides in the river;</li> <li>Increase in travelling distances due to the relocation of roads;</li> <li>Loss of bridge over the Luhane River; and</li> <li>There are other areas where the water required for the scheme can be obtained from.</li> <li>K Bester explained that the proposed location of the dam was identified to be the most suitable site based on various factors. He stated that no problems had been encountered on any other DWS dam sites with regards to the "white bull"; however, the fears of the community in this regard need to be recognised and a suitable solution needs to be identified in consultation with the community. He indicated that the EIA had assessed the impacts associated with the matters raised by D Basi. He noted that the project must ensure that the livelihoods of the affected community are maintained.</li> <li>D Henning indicated that research had been undertaken as part of the EIA in terms of cultural beliefs related to water spirits. He noted that mitigation measures need to be identified through engagement with the Traditional Authorities as well as spiritual and traditional healers. He further stated that the Agricultural Impact Assessment had identified</li> </ul>		

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	grazing areas that will be lost as a result of the dam. He noted that areas that had been degraded due to erosion could be rehabilitated to offset the loss of grazing land.		
	J Nyakale mentioned that an option would be to encase graves in concrete.		
3.4	B Dlamini stated that the dam would not benefit him directly and that he is opposed to the project. He also expressed concern over the impacts to graves.	-	-
3.5	Unknown attendee asked whether individuals or the Traditional Authority would be compensated.  K. Naideo explained the relocation of affected dwellings and graves.	-	-
	K Naidoo explained the relocation of affected dwellings and graves, where the directly affected parties needed to be compensated.  T Ndlela raised the following concerns with regards to the proposed dam:		
	<ul> <li>Impacts to graves (believed to be 102 graves in total), which cannot be exhumed as it will insult the ancestors;</li> <li>Impacts to livestock in terms of loss of grazing land; and</li> <li>Water scarcity and the influence to the community.</li> </ul>		
3.6	K Bester noted that K Naidoo's presentation explained the process that had been adopted to deal with the relocation of graves and dwellings in the case of Spring Grove Dam. He stressed that the people affected by the proposed Smithfield Dam needed to be engaged with. He also indicated that the EIA Comments and Responses Report will capture all the issues raised by the community and responses will be provided.	-	-
3.7	J Zondi noted that water problems are being experienced in KZN. He further posed questions with regards to the proposed Greater Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme.	-	-
	K Bester noted that uMWP-1 is of national significance. He also provided an overview of the Greater Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme.		
3.8	Mr Ngcobo expressed his concern with regards to impacts to graves and further noted that the locations of some graves are unknown.	-	-
3.9	D Ngubane indicated that desalinisation needed to be considered as an option. He also stated that alien plants need to be managed, which will increase the volume of water available. He emphasised that the community needed to benefit. He further indicated that the affected members of the community needed to be consulted.	-	-
	D Henning explained that various options to meeting the objectives of the overall project had been considered, which included desalinisation. He also noted that community beneficiation could be promoted through the future Resource Management Plan for the dam.		
	B Dlamini indicated that floods had been experienced in 1989 and asked how this would be managed.		
3.10	D Henning indicated that the buffer zone around the dam was based on the safe operation of the dam, which took into consideration the 1:100 year floodline.	-	-

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3.11	Unknown attendee asked about the impact to existing access roads.  D Henning explained that provision had been made to relocate all roads that will be affected by the proposed dam.	-	-
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4.	Way Forward & Close		
4.1	Comments on the draft EIA Reports are due by 15 August 2016.  B Shinga thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation. The meeting was concluded at approximately 15H00.	-	-

## **APPENDIX A**

## **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**



## water & sanitation

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REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **UMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT: PHASE 1**

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# PUBLIC MEETING/UMHLANGANO WOMPHAKATHI

KWAZASHUKE TRADITIONAL COUNCIL/UMPHAKATHI WAKWAZASHUKE

Venue/Indawo: KwaZashuke Community Hall

Date/Usuku: Saturday, 16 July 2016 Time/Isikhathi: 10h00 – 12h00

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Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	15 July 2016	Time:	14h00 – 16h00
Chairperson:	B. Shinga	Venue:	Soccer field (± 1km from Deepdale Station turn-off towards Smithfield Dam site)

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3.	Discussion		
3.1	I Gumede asked what will happen to graves if family members are relocated.  K Naidoo explained that graves will be moved to the municipal cemetery.	-	-
3.2	P Maharaj alleged that DWS is trying to rob the people and that the Ingonyama Trust and Land Affairs are unaware of the project.  K Bester stated that wide consultation had been undertaken to notify the various Government Departments about the project, which included a Project Steering Committee that is made up of representatives of various spheres of government.  D Henning indicated that a database of Interested and Affected Parties had been created as part of the EIA and that all these parties had been notified of the project and had been offered an opportunity to comment on the Scoping and EIA Reports. He further noted that this database included representatives from the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRD&LR) as well as the Ingonyama Trust Board.  K Naidoo noted that the project has a responsibility to check if there are any land claims and if there are valid claims then these will have to be compensated.	-	-
3.3	Mr Madladla stated that no one had been delegated to speak on behalf of the Impendle Tenant Forum.	-	-
3.4	D Henning provided a large hardcopy of the map, showing the proposed Smithfield Dam, to the chairperson of the Impendle Tenant Forum.	-	-
3.5	N Sithole expressed concerns with regards to the proposed dam in terms of relocation of roads and the loss of grazing area for livestock.  D Henning explained that provision had been made to relocate roads that will be affected by the proposed Smithfield Dam. He noted that an agreement could be entered into between the community and DWS for livestock to be able to drink water from the dam.	-	-

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
3.6	Mr Sokhela queried the relationship between DRD&LR and the Department of Environmental Affairs. He further stated that the following matters needed to be considered:  Balanced sourcing of employment; Permanent employment opportunities; and Benefits in terms of potential future tourism opportunities.  D Henning indicated that community beneficiation could be promoted through the future Resource Management Plan for the dam.	-	-
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4.	Way Forward & Close		
4.1	Comments on the draft EIA Reports due by 15 August 2016.  B Shinga thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation. The meeting was concluded at approximately 16H30.	-	-

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## **UMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT: PHASE 1**

## **UCWANINGO LOKUNGENZEKA EMVELWENI LWEPROJECTI EHLONGOZWAYO YAMANZI EMKHOMAZI**

PUBLIC MEETING/UMHLANGANO WOMPHAKATHI

LANDLESS PEOPLES' MOVEMENT/ABANTU ABAHLALA EMAPULAZINI **PEOPLE LIVING IN THE STATE LAND MPENDLE TENANT FORUM** 

Venue/Indawo: Soccer Field/Enkundleni yebhola

Date/Usuku: Friday, 15 July 2016

Time/Isikhathi: 14h00 – 16h00

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Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	15 July 2016	Time:	10h00 – 12h00
Chairperson:	B. Shinga	Venue:	KwaBhidla Traditional Council Hall

<u>Note:</u> These minutes are not intended as a verbatim transcript of the meeting, but rather as a summary of the salient discussions which took place.

## **Attendance**

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## Apologies:

None.

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1.1	The meeting commenced at approximately 11H00. Proceedings were opened with a prayer. Discussions were held in IsiZulu.  Inkosi DT Dlamini welcomed the members of the project team and noted that issues raised by the community needed to follow the proper structure.  B Shinga facilitated the meeting. She explained that the aims of the meeting were as follows:  1. To provide an overview of the proposed uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1 (uMWP-1) – Raw Water and Potable Water Components;  2. To present the status of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA);  3. To provide an overview of the EIA Reports (Raw Water and Potable Water); and  4. To provide a platform for project-related discussions.	-	-
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3.	Discussion		
3.1	P Maharaj submitted a letter to D Henning with a list of concerns. He stated that he did not accept the proposed Smithfield Dam for the following reasons:  Loss of grazing land and cultivated land;  Impacts to graves;  Relocation of houses;  The dam will not benefit the community;  Disturbance of school children;  Loss of access; and  Minister Gugile Nkwinti had promised that the people would not be relocated until the land claim had been settled.  D Henning indicated that these matters had been assessed as part of the EIA and that the letter received from P Maharaj would be included in the EIA Comments and Responses Report.	-	-
3.2	S Ngubane enquired about small business development and skills development.  K Naidoo indicated that targets would be set for the contractor in terms of skills development. She also noted that training programmes would be implemented and that support would be given to local small businesses.  V Sibiya asked where the affected community members will be moved to.	-	-
3.3	K Naidoo explained that people will not be relocated to an area where they don't want to be. She indicated that thorough negotiations would be undertaken with the relevant parties as part of the relocation process.	-	1
3.4	P Maharaj alleged that the project team is secretly meeting with people and that Land Affairs is unaware of the project.	-	-
3.5	M Dlamini noted that forestry plantations contribute towards reduced water levels.	-	-
3.6	Councillor Kunene provided an overview of the Greater Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme.	-	-

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
4.	Way Forward & Close		
4.1	Comments on the draft EIA Reports due by 15 August 2016.  Inkosi DT Dlamini closed the meeting at approximately 12H30.	-	-

## **APPENDIX A**

## **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**



## water & sanitation

Department: Water and Sanitation

Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

**UCWANINGO LOKUNGENZEKA EMVELWENI LWEPROJECTI EHLONGOZWAYO UMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT: PHASE 1** 

YAMANZI EMKHOMAZI

# PUBLIC MEETING/UMHLANGANO WOMPHAKATHI

KWABHIDLA TRADITIONAL COUNCIL/UMPHAKATHI WAKWABHIDLA

Venue/Indawo: KwaBhidla Traditional Council Offices Date/Usuku: Friday, 15 July 2016

Time/Isikhathi: 10h00 – 12h00

# **ATTENDANCE REGISTER/UKUBHALISA**

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Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	13 July 2016	Time:	12h00 – 14h00
Chairperson:	B. Shinga	Venue:	Deepdale Community Hall

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## Apologies:

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1.	Welcome & Purpose of Meeting		
1.1	The meeting commenced at approximately 13H00. Proceedings were opened with a prayer. Discussions were held in IsiZulu.  B Shinga facilitated the meeting and welcomed everyone present. Councillor Kunene welcomed the members of the project team and noted the support for the project.  B Shinga explained that the aims of the meeting were as follows:  1. To provide an overview of the proposed uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1 (uMWP-1) – Raw Water and Potable Water Components;  2. To present the status of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA);  3. To provide an overview of the EIA Reports (Raw Water and Potable Water); and  4. To provide a platform for project-related discussions.	-	-
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3.	Discussion		
3.1	DM Dlamini raised a concern with regards to the impacts that could be caused to the community as a result of the tunnelling exercise.  K Bester indicated that apart from the inlet, central and outlet portals as well as the shafts for ventilation purposes, the tunnel runs below ground. He noted that a pre-construction survey would be undertaken of the houses in the area.	-	-
3.2	C Sokhela stated that it would be unfair for a person who stays in the area where the dam is to be built and then leaves to reside in Durban to pay higher water tariffs related to uMWP-1.  K Bester explained the high costs associated with the project as well as the implications in terms of water tariffs in the areas to be supplied by the transfer scheme.	-	-
3.3	B Sokhela noted his support for the proposed Greater Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme.	-	-
3.4	B Sokhela enquired about the impacts to vegetation as a result of the proposed Smithfield Dam.  D Henning indicated that a search, rescue and relocated plan would be developed for red data, protected and endangered species and medicinal plants. He indicated that other mitigation measures are also included in the EIA Report.	-	-
3.5	Councillor Kunene provided an overview of the Greater Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme.	-	-
3.6	DM Dlamini expressed concern over possible loss of land for those people that need to be relocated due to the dam.  K Naidoo explained that the principle that will apply is that the people to be relocated will not be worse off following resettlement. She noted that the relocation process will need to satisfy the requirements that apply in the case of land under Traditional Authorities.	-	-

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
4.	Way Forward & Close		
4.1	Comments on the draft EIA Reports are due by 15 August 2016.  B Shinga thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation. The meeting was concluded at approximately 11H30.	-	-

## **APPENDIX A**

## **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**



## water & sanitation

Department:

Water and Sanitation

REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## **UCWANINGO LOKUNGENZEKA EMVELWENI LWEPROJECTI EHLONGOZWAYO UMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT: PHASE 1**

YAMANZI EMKHOMAZI

## PUBLIC MEETING/UMHLANGANO WOMPHAKATHI

AMAQADI TRADITIONAL COUNCIL/UMPHAKATHI WASEMAQADINI

Venue/Indawo: Deepdale Community Hall Date/Usuku: Wednesday, 13 July 2016

Time/Isikhathi: 12h00 – 14h00

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Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	13 July 2016	Time:	09h00 - 11h00
Chairperson:	B. Shinga	Venue:	Ncwadi Primary School

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## Apologies:

- Councillor Ngcobo (late); and
- Mr Pewa.

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	Councillor Kunene welcomed the members of the project team and noted the support for the project.		
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	Raw water components;		
	Potable water components;  Project components:		
	Project summary -		

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2.3	adopted for Spring Grove Dam):		
2.3	Relocation of graves; and	-	-
	Resettlement of affected families.		
3.	Discussion		
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3.1	underground, as part of the tunnelling exercise. K Bester explained that	-	-
	tunnelling is highly specialist work and will need to be undertaken by skilled workers, with the necessary safety measures in place.		
	Councillor Kunene noted that the community appreciates the project. He		
3.2	also indicated that there could be investment opportunities associated	-	-
	with the project.		
	Councillor Kunene asked about the employment opportunities that would		
3.3	be created. K Bester noted that it would be a 5-year construction period	-	-
	and at the peak of construction there would be approximately 1000 construction workers.		
	M Ngcobo asked about the impacts to the community associated with the		
	tunnelling exercise. K Bester explained that impacts would be minimal		
3.4	due to the depth of the tunnel. He further noted that the tunnel will be	-	-
	lined and that noise should only be heard at the tunnel inlet and outlet, as		
	well as at the adits.		
	K Naidoo explained that various targets would be set in the contract with the contractor, which would include:		
3.5	100% of unskilled labour to be sourced from the local area;	_	-
	Preference to be afforded to black woman owned businesses; and		
	Training requirements (skills development).		
	Councillor Ngcobo recommended that workshops be held with all the		
	Traditional Authorities and tenants on the state-owned land, which would		
3.6	enhance these parties' understanding of the project. K Bester welcomed	-	-
	the suggestion and indicated that the TCTA would engage further with the community and convene such workshops once they had received the		
	directive from the Minister.		
	B Ngobo from Imvula Engineers provided an overview of the Greater		
3.7	Bulwer Donnybrook Bulk Water Supply Scheme. He requested	-	-
	collaboration between the two project teams.		

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
4.	Way Forward & Close		
4.1	Comments on the draft EIA Reports are due by 15 August 2016.  B Shinga thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation. The meeting was concluded at approximately 11H30.	-	-

## **APPENDIX A**

## **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**



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## **UMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT: PHASE 1**

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## **PUBLIC MEETING/UMHLANGANO WOMPHAKATHI**

AMAQADI TRADITIONAL COUNCIL/UMPHAKATHI WASEMAQADINI

Venue/Indawo: Ncwadi Primary School Date/Usuku: Wednesday, 13 July 2016

Time/Isikhathi: 09h00 – 11h00

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Client Details:	water & sanitation Department: Water and Sanitation REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	Project Name:	uMkhomazi Water Project Phase 1
Date:	14 July 2016	Time:	14h00 - 17h00
Chairperson:	D. Henning	Venue:	Vans Hotel, Lot 40 Umlaas Road

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4.	Discussion						
4.1	F Peters asked how the meeting went at Baynesfield that was held earlier in the day.  D Henning provided feedback on the meeting's proceedings and the type of questions that were raised.	-	-				
4.2	F Peters enquired about the width of the servitude for the potable water pipeline.  G Subramanian indicated that the approximate width of the servitude will be as follows:  Permanent servitude - 15 to 20m; and  Construction servitude - 50m.	-	-				
4.3	K Naidoo indicated that her presentation was on how land is acquired by TCTA, which is through expropriation and based on the Expropriation Act. As this related to the potable water pipeline, she indicated that TCTA will not be responsible and therefore requested that Umgeni Water present their process. G Subramanian indicated that he was not certain of how this will occur. D Henning suggested that that Umgeni Water's land acquisition process could be appended to the minutes of the meeting (see Appendix C).  F Peters noted that the following information is required:  Access to farms;  Servitude details;  Maintenance requirements; and  Land acquisition process.	D Henning	To be confirmed				
4.4	F Peters asked how Mapstone Dam will be crossed.  G Subramanian indicated that the preferred method entails burying the	-	-				

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
	pipeline in the dam basin.		
	K Naidoo indicated that the area within the construction servitude will be		
4.5	rehabilitated for subsequent use by the landowner, in accordance with	-	-
	the servitude agreement.		
	G Subramanian noted that compensation will include the loss of crops.		
4.6		_	_
7.0	F Peters emphasised that compensation needed to consider rootstock		
	and planting practices.		
	R Cassimjee requested clarity with regards to the preferred pipeline route		
	in the Umlaas Road area. He asked whether there is a single pipeline		
	with various alternative alignments or multiple pipelines.		
4.7		-	-
	D Henning showed the preferred route on a map that was included in the		
	presentation. He indicated that the other routes on the map were		
	alternative alignments.		
	F Peters asked whether there were two WTWs.		
4.8		_	_
	D Henning clarified that only 1 WTW was required and that the preferred		
	site was located on Baynesfield Estate in a timber plantation.		
	H Mbatha noted that sensitive bird species occur on his property, such		
	as Blue Swallows and cranes.		
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	D Henning explained that information pertaining to Blue Swallows, which		
	is a Critically Endangered species, had been sourced from Ezemvelo		
	KZN Wildlife and a dedicated Avifauna Study had been undertaken as part of the EIA. He further noted that the mitigation strategy proposed as		
	part of the EIA. The future moted that the mitigation strategy proposed as		T- /-
4.9	as Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife, Endangered Wildlife Trust and BirdLife South	D Henning	To be confirmed
	Africa, as well as implementing a monitoring programme that considers		oormiinida
	avifauna, vibration and noise. He indicated that other mitigation		
	measures in terms of Blue Swallows are also included in the EIA Report		
	(uMWP-1 Raw Water), such as controlled blasting and avoiding sensitive		
	areas during the breeding season.		
	arous during the produing souson.		
	H Mbatha requested to be contacted by the Avifauna Specialist.		
	F Peters asked whether there was any flexibility in terms of the pipeline		
	corridor. He noted that the route is approximately 200m away from K		
	Chambler's farm house.		
	D Henning noted that the EIA considered a 100m corridor (i.e. 50m on		
	either side of the centreline).		
4.10	K Naidoo referred to the management of construction activities related to	_	_
4.10	a bulk water pipeline that were undertaken in close proximity to	_	-
	residences as part of Phase 2 of the Mooi Mgeni Transfer Scheme. She		
	further noted that one on one negotiations were conducted with the		
	affected landowners.		
	D Henning indicated that land acquisition is a separate legal process to		
	the EIA, which would be undertaken by Umgeni Water on the potable		
	water pipeline that included the property in question.		

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
	F Peters emphasised that Umgeni Water and landowners need to negotiate in good faith. He noted that expropriation has negative connotations.		
	G Subramanian stated that Umgeni Water will be reasonable and that the organisation has a history of good practice.		
	K Naidoo explained that although the expropriation process is used, in accordance with the associated legislation, it is a fair process and considers current market value.		
4.11	B Crookes noted that his property value has decreased due to industrial development and other linear infrastructure that already traverses his property.	-	-
4.40	E Donaldson made reference to the municipal Spatial Development Framework and indicated that the urban edge currently ends at Afroprop but will be extended in 5 years' time.		
4.12	D Henning mentioned that Umgeni Water were aware that they needed to commence with negotiations to secure the servitude due to development pressures in the Umlaas Road area.	-	-
	K Chambler asked how often the proposed pipeline would need to be monitored along the servitude. He noted that other custodians of existing infrastructure on this land often access his property without permission.		
4.13	G Subramanian noted that monitoring along the pipeline servitude will not take place regularly.	-	-
	D Henning indicated that the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Potable Water) includes an Operational Environmental Management Programme which makes provision for the notification of landowners prior to servitude maintenance inspections (amongst others).		
4.14	R Cassimjee requested information with regards to servitude restrictions,  D Henning suggested that Umgeni Water's land acquisition process could be appended to the minutes of the meeting (see Appendix C).	D Henning	To be confirmed
4.15	B Crookes requested further clarification with regards to compensation in terms of crops. He explained the process associated with planting and harvesting sugarcane. He also emphasised that the age of the sugarcane needed to be taken into consideration.	-	-
	H Mbatha stated that no construction work will be undertaken on this land without proper compensation.		
4.16	G Subramanian noted that Umgeni Water prefers to pay compensation after construction; however, an agreement will be in place with the landowner beforehand.	-	-
	H Mbatha stated that Eskom had reneged on agreements in the past and that this approach would thus not be acceptable.		
4.17	D Bishop requested a detailed map of the pipeline route options in the Umlaas Road area.	-	-

Item.	Description	Action	Target Date
	D Henning indicated that he could take the large map that was displayed on the wall. He also noted that maps had been included in Appendix D of the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Potable Water), which zoomed in on the various sections of the project footprint.		
4.18	J van der Merwe noted that RCL experiences problems with water supply in the area.  G Subramanian indicated that Umgeni Water is not able to supply water directly to the users.	-	-
5.	Way Forward & Close		
5.1	D Henning thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation.  The meeting was concluded at approximately 15H45.	-	-

## **APPENDIX A**

## **ATTENDANCE REGISTER**

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Client Name:	Department of Water and Sanitation & Umgeni Water	Date:	14 July 2016		
Project Number:	10492 & 10515	Time:	14h00 - 17h00		
Project Name:	uMKHOMAZI WATER PROJECT PHASE 1	Venue:	Vans Hotel, Lot 40 Umlaas Road		

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## **APPENDIX B**

## **COPIES OF PRESENTATIONS**

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3.4.2	K Naidoo from TCTA presented the approach to the land acquisition	-	-
3.5	Overview of Specialist Reports		
3.5.1	D Henning from Nemai Consulting presented an overview of the following specialist studies:  Aquatic Impact Assessment; Heritage Impact Assessment; Avifauna Study; Visual Impact Assessment; and Relocation Framework Plan.	-	-
3.5.2	R Phamphe from Nemai Consulting presented an overview of the Terrestrial Ecological Impact Assessment.	-	-
3.5.3	A Gouws from Index presented an overview of the Agricultural Impact Assessment.	-	-
3.5.4	N Bews from Dr Neville Bews & Associates presented an overview of the Social Impact Assessment.	-	-
3.5.5	C Chidley from Nemai Consulting presented an overview of the Socio- Economic Impact Assessment.	-	-
4.	Discussion		
4.1	B Seele asked if the tunnelling exercise will affect groundwater.  K Bester explained that the tunnel will be very deep and will be concrete lined, based on detailed geotechnical investigations, to manage impacts to groundwater. He also indicated that the tunnel will operate under pressure.  F Stevens noted that the Durban tunnel was built below the seabed and was very well sealed, which is a practical example of how water ingress	-	-

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4.2	Unknown attendee asked whether the project includes hydropower.  D Henning indicated that two potential hydropower sites were identified and included in the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Raw Water), namely at the proposed WTW as part of the conveyance structure from Smithfield Dam	-	-
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4.4	the customer and that the Local Municipality would need to be involved.  M van Deventer asked about the status of the process and the timeframes involved.  D Henning noted that the Scoping phase had been completed. He indicated that the specialist studies were subsequently undertaken and the draft EIA Reports had been compiled, which are currently out for public review until 15 August 2016. He explained the EIA timeframes by	-	-
4.5	referring to a slide in the presentation, which showed key dates for the remainder of the process.  M van Deventer asked what could Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) do if they were not satisfied with the decision by the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA).  D Henning indicated that the EIA Regulations make provision for an appeal process after the decision has been made by DEA.	-	-
4.6	M van Deventer asked about the tunnel boring machine (TBM) works.  D Henning explained by way of a slide showing the long section of the proposed tunnel. He indicated that two TBMs will be utilised, with the first advancing from the outlet portal to a central access adit and the second from the central access adit towards the inlet portal. He noted that both drives will be undertaken up-grade to ensure drainage of the tunnels.	-	-
4.7	M van Deventer enquired about the management of spoil material that will be generated as part of tunnelling.  D Henning explained that the spoil material will be hauled and dumped at new disposal sites that will be created at the inlet and central portals of the tunnel, as well as in the construction of the dam wall of the balancing dam. He indicated that the spoil sites will be rehabilitated after construction.	-	-
4.8	M van Deventer noted the impacts to the Baynesfield Lodge as a result of the construction activities.  D Henning indicated that the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Raw Water) states that in order to mitigate impacts to the Baynesfield Estate Lodge during the construction phase it is recommended that this facility be recreated at Baynesfield Dam. He further noted that the existing Baynesfield Lodge could be leased out to the construction team and then reinstated (as	-	-

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	necessary) after the construction period for continued future use by the estate.		
4.9	M van Deventer noted problems with the use of the existing access road, which included the condition of the road, difficult sections, and tight turning circles. He also indicated that this road is used by vehicles as part of current farming and forestry operations.  D Henning indicated that the tarring of the access road was suggested in the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Raw Water), as well as the selective upgrading of the access road as part of the project. He stated that this would receive additional attention during the design phase.	-	-
4.10	P Odell asked how timber trucks would be accommodated during the construction phase, and he noted that the bridge over the dam wall (Mbangweni Dam) provides access to the NCT timber plantation.  D Henning indicated that the Environmental Management Programme provides mitigation measures in this regard.  M van Deventer emphasised the need to consider the safety of the dam wall if the bridge is to be used.	-	-
4.11	B Seele asked where the central spoil site would be located and expressed concern that it may be near his property.  D Henning showed the location of the central adit and spoil site on a drawing.	-	-
4.12	M van Deventer enquired about the visual impacts associated with the proposed WTW.  D Henning indicated that one of the positive factors associated with WTW Option 1 is that there is an opportunity for the works to be screened by the existing timber plantation. He noted that the suggestion in the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Potable Water) is for Umgeni Water to acquire additional timber land around WTW Option 1 to utilise the screening offered by existing pine trees. He further stated that the visual impact might only be associated with the administrative building as it will be the highest structure associated with the WTW.	-	-
4.13	P Odell enquired why the WTW is not located closer to industrial areas where it will not be noticed.  G Subramanian explained that it will be a gravity fed system, which dictates the location of the WTW. He indicated that other sites for the proposed WTW had been considered but the topography was not favourable. He stated that the Mkhambathini Local Municipality had indicated that the WTW must not be located near the Umlaas Road Light Industrial Development Node as it may influence future development in this area. He also indicated that the design of the WTW could consider cladding to minimise the visual impact.	-	-
4.14	P Odell indicated that it is not possible to obtain additional land for forestry within the catchment.  D Henning stated that the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Potable Water)	-	-

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	recommends that concession is sought through DWS, as the proponent for uMWP-1 Raw Water, to increase permissible timber production in the uMlaza River catchment.		
4.15	Unknown attendee asked about the long-term compensation for a permanent loss of income due to the project.	-	-
	K Naidoo explained the land acquisition process.  D Henning enquired about the acquisition of land at Baynesfield Estate.		
4.16	M van Deventer indicated that the Trust includes a condition that the land cannot be sold.	_	-
	K Naidoo noted that this is a legal matter that will be adequately attended to as part of the land acquisition process, which will take into consideration individual circumstances.		
	Unknown attendee asked about impacts to farm occupants and their livelihoods.		
4.17	K Naidoo explained that all legal requirements in terms of the land acquisition process need to be satisfied. She further explained how this matter was attended to in the case of Spring Grove Dam.	-	-
4.18	P Odell noted that with reference to the presentation on the Agricultural Impact Assessment, the timber at WTW Option 1 is not pine but wattle which is a higher value crop.	-	-
4.19	M van Deventer enquired about compensation.  K Naidoo indicated that the findings from the EIA are only the first phase of understanding compensation. She explained that determining compensation requires more detailed assessments, which would include engagement with the affected landowners.	-	-
4.20	P Odell asked about the impact of the balancing dam on river flow.  J Nyakale indicated that the required flow in the river will need to be determined taking into consideration factors such as downstream water users and the Ecological Water Requirements. He indicated that releases from the balancing dam would need to make provision for these water requirements.  D Henning indicated that the entitlements of existing lawful water users are protected.  M van Deventer stated that Mbangweni Dam, which is downstream of the proposed balancing dam, consistently overflows and thus there is always water available downstream.  K Bester indicated that the hydrological analysis of AECOM, who undertook the feasibility study for uMWP-1 Raw Water, found that water releases from the balancing dam will maintain the current situation. He also noted that the dam is small in comparison with the capacity of the raw water pipeline.	-	-

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	G Subramanian noted that the balancing dam will primarily be filled from the transfer scheme and not from incremental flow within its catchment, which provides a higher assurance of water supply.		
	J Nyakale noted that downstream water users are catered for through water releases from the dam rather than overtopping.		
4.21	S McKean enquired whether the loss of ecosystem goods and services had been taken into consideration.	-	-
	D Henning indicated that the relevant specialist studies quantified the loss of ecosystems and determined the status of these systems.		
	S McKean asked if attention will be given to catchment management in terms of the rehabilitation of eroded areas.		
4.22	D Henning noted that the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Raw Water) recommends the promotion of ecological infrastructure be taken forward as part of biodiversity offset for uMWP-1, which may entail the rehabilitation of eroded areas and reinstatement of suitable ground cover in the uMkhomazi catchment. He further indicated that the future Resource	-	-
	Management Plan for Smithfield Dam could include a dedicated Business Plan for rehabilitation of eroded areas within the catchment.		
4.23	M van Deventer asked which WTW site was identified as the preferred option in the Social Impact Assessment.	-	-
	N Bews noted that WTW Option 2 had been identified as the preferred option in the Social Impact Assessment due to economic factors.		
4.04	M van Deventer asked where the visual impacts of the proposed WTW had been assessed.		
4.24	D Henning noted that this had been covered under the EIA Report for uMWP-1 Potable Water. Copies of both the EIA Reports for uMWP-1 Raw Water and Potable Water had been given to M van Deventer.	-	-
	M van Deventer queried the selection of WTW Option 1 as the preferred option, as the specialists were divided in their findings.		
4.25	D Henning indicated that the preferred option for the WTW was identified in the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Potable Water) through a balanced appraisal of the recommendations of the specialists, technical considerations and the comparison of the impacts.	-	-
	M van Deventer asked how recommendations could be changed.  D Henning noted that a change to a recommendation made in the EIA		
4.26	Reports could be proposed in writing to Nemai Consulting, which would then be considered by the respective project teams (uMWP-1 Raw Water and Potable Water). He also noted that any requirements of the I&APs that may need to be included as a possible condition to authorisation should be indicated in the comments.	D Henning & K Bester	To be confirmed
	D Henning and K Bester to meet with M van Deventer to discuss his comments further.		

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	S McKean indicated that he would like to see recommendations with regards to catchment management and biodiversity offsets.		
4.27	D Henning noted that biodiversity offsets suggested in the EIA Report (uMWP-1 Raw Water) included amongst others the possible extension of the Impendle Nature Reserve, based on discussions held with Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife. He also indicated that suggestions related to catchment management were included in terms of support to ecological infrastructure. He noted that catchment management extends beyond the EIA and it includes other mandated parties.	•	-
4.28	S McKean enquired about the lifespan of Smithfield Dam.  K Bester indicated that the lifespan would be very long taking into consideration the intended management of siltation.	•	-
5.	Way Forward & Close		
5.1	D Henning thanked all parties present for their attendance and participation.	-	-
	The meeting was concluded at approximately 12H00.		

### **APPENDIX A**

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